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YOUR REF.

DATE

July 24, 1969.

Mr. Eric Newman,
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Dear Eric,

When I received your letter of 20th July from the Mandarin Hotel, I was very pleasantly surprised that you and Mrs. Newman had visited Hong Kong. At the same time, I felt that I had missed something very pleasurable. I wish I could have had the opportunity of seeing you both again during your short stay in Hong Kong.

I am pleased to note that your close friend, Mr. David Gries has come to live in Hong Kong with his family. I have just spoken to him over the phone telling him that I am a friend of yours and I would be very happy to be of assistant to him in Hong Kong regarding his accommodation. After talking to him, I realize that it will take him and his family some time to get used to live in congested Hong Kong. I am looking forward to meeting Mr. Gries in the very near future and I will certainly get in touch with him if I know of any suitable place for rent.

We are enjoying a very pleasant business relationship with Edison Brothers and Elias and Company is proud to be associated with such a fine organization as Edison Brothers.

There is a chance of my coming to visit St. Louis with Margaret some time in October this year. It will be a great pleasure for us to see all our good friends there again. In the meantime, Margaret joins me in sending you and your family our warmest regards and best wishes.

Yours sincerely,



P. W. Chiu

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August 6, 1969

Dear P.W.:

Evelyn and I were delighted to receive your letter of July 24, 1969 when we came home from our vacation. If we had planned to stay in Hong Kong for more than the one day, we would have written you in order to get together but Evelyn had some work to do in the May Department Stores Company office and we were anxious to go to Alaska to keep our schedule.

You are very kind to help Mr. and Mrs. David Gries and I hope that their residence problem has proceeded substantially on the way to solution. I think you will enjoy knowing him and his wife as they are the type of foreign representatives our country is very proud to have.

Evelyn and I are delighted that you are coming to St. Louis. We would appreciate knowing in advance. You have so many friends here that we want to put in our request early.

If you would like to do a favor for me, they have, for sale, at the Foreign Exchange & Investment Limited, Che San Building, 4th floor, 58-58, Des Voeux Road, C, Hong Kong, a 1920 \$20 United States gold coin and a 1922 \$20 United States gold coin, which I wrapped in a little piece of paper and which are 475 Hong Kong dollars each. You may be able to do better in price as they are not worth more than 420 Hong Kong dollars, but I would appreciate it if you would acquire them for me. They would be for my collection. The gentlemen in charge of coins at this office is very reliable and I told him I would arrange for a contact after I got home. If I can do anything for you in the United States, please don't hesitate to request it.

Cordially,

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DATE

August 12, 1969.

Dear Eric,

Thank you for your letter of 6th August.

I had hoped to meet with Mr. David Gries shortly after I spoke to him but I am sorry that until today I have not had the chance of doing so. As soon as my preparation for the trip is completed, I will contact Mr. Gries to have lunch or dinner with him before I leave on the 23rd of August. I have heard that he has now moved into an apartment very near to his office. This is only a temporary measure as he would like very much to move into a house or an old apartment with plenty of space possibly a garden.

After reading your letter, I immediately contacted Foreign Exchange & Investment Limited regarding the gold coins you are interested in. Unfortunately, owing to the very recent devaluation of the French Francs, the price of these coins has even gone up from HK\$475 to 495. I was hoping that I could get them for you at the price better than HK\$475 each. If you are not in a hurry to obtain these coins, may be you should wait till the US dollar situation in Hongkong settles back to its normal condition.

Any time you are interested in buying gold coins or anything else from Hongkong, please do not hesitate to let me know. Even if I am not in Hongkong, you should not hesitate to write to our office and address the correspondence to either Mr. Thomas Leung, our chief accountant, or Mr. Liu, our general manager, who will be very pleased to handle everything for you.

Margaret and I will be coming to St. Louis for a short visit. We have planned to be there from Friday, the 3rd of October to Sunday, the 5th. It will be a pleasure for us to see you again during our visit. I will contact you after my arrival in St. Louis. In the meantime, I send you and your family my warmest regards.

Yours sincerely,



P. W. Chiu

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31 Oct

Dear Evelyn and Eric,

Margaret and I returned home ten days ago. It was such a pleasure for us (especially for Margaret) to see you again after so many years. We wish to thank you very much for your warm welcome and kind hospitality during our visit with you. The dinner we had in your home was the most sumptuous one we had during our entirely trip. Every course was delectable and the atmosphere at your dinner table was full of warmth and friendliness. This occasion will always be treasured in our minds.

I am particularly grateful to Eric for taking the trouble to show his company's

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operation. It was a wonderful experience for me and a real eye-opener to anyone. I was especially appreciative of Wick's spending so much of his time with me, realizing that it was a Saturday when he should be relaxing at home,

I have not forgotten the Japanese military Gen we talked about. I have asked my friends to look into this matter and write you again about it.

Margaret joins me in sending you both our warmest regards and best wishes.

Yours sincerely

P. W.